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SUBJ: SECRETARY'S SPEECH OF APRIL 8 ON LOS

1. IN ABSENCE OF FOREIGN MINISTER PEACOCK, POLITICAL COUNSELOR DISCUSSED SECRETARY'S SPEECH WITH DFA FIRST ASSISTANT SECRETARY BOUCHIER ON APRIL 13.

2. GOA STRONGLY SUPPORTS U.S. POSITION ON NEED TO RESOLVE OUTSTANDING ISSUES TO REACH FINAL RESULT THIS YEAR. ON SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES, GOA GENERALLY FAVORS POSITIONS OUTLINED IN SECRETARY'S SPEECH EXCEPT ON QUESTION OF RESOURCE JURISDICTION OVER CONTINENTAL MARGIN BEYOND 200 MILES WHERE GOA'S POSITION WILL BE TO CONTINUE TO OPPOSE ANY TAX, LEVY, OR ROYALTY ON PRODUCTION. GOA DOES NOT RULE OUT POSSIBILITY OF SUCCESSFUL NEGOTIATIONS ON THIS ISSUE, BUT IS HESITANT TO ENTER INTO ANY SHARING AGREEMENT UNTIL COSTS AND VIABILITY OF PROJECTS BEYOND 200 MILES CAN BE BETTER DETERMINED.

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